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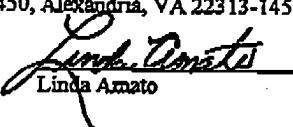
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Response to Office Action is filed in response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2003, rejecting Claims 1-3 and 5-21. Applicants believe that the following amendments and remarks remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.